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**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

In the Notice of Allowability mailed on March 29, 2004 in connection with the above-identified application, the Examiner provided reasons for allowance of the claims. In particular, the Examiner indicated that the prior art of record, with respect to independent claims 1, 22, 27, 32 and 37, fails to disclose a radiographic camera, comprising:

a body suitable for use in a pipeline; a jacket having front and a back ends; and a handle positioned between the front and the back ends, the handle constructed and arranged to carry the camera, wherein the jacket is adapted to be removably secured to the camera and the camera is functional with or without the jacket. The radiographic camera also houses a radioactive source in a pathway surrounded by a radiation shield with first and second end of the housing having a lock assembly, wherein the lock assembly functions independently of the radiation shield protector and guide cable fitting, a rotor rotatably attached to the interior surface in such a way that the rotor is locked in position with the radiation shield aligned properly, and is adapted to be unlockable when a fitting is engaged in a hole on the front plate.

Applicant wishes to clarify that all independent claims, including independent claims 1, 22, 27, 32 and 37, along with their respective dependent claims, separately define over the prior art based on the entire structure recited in each of the individual claims. In this regard, not all features presented in the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance are present in each claim. For example, independent claims 22, 27, 32 and 37 are not limited to a body suitable for use in a pipeline; a jacket having front and back ends; and a handle positioned between the front and back ends, the handle constructed and arranged to carry the camera, where the jacket is adapted to be removably secured to the camera and the camera is functional with or without the jacket. Additionally, each of the individual claims may recite one or more additional features.

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**LETTER**

Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner that on the Notice of Allowability mailed on March 29, 2004, the Examiner stated that the drawings filed on March 9, 2001 are accepted by the Examiner. Applicants believe that the date for the filing of the formal drawings used by the Examiner is incorrect. The formal drawings for this application were filed on December 3, 2001. It appears that an Information Disclosure Statement submitting a copy of a co-pending application was received by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on March 9, 2001.

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